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**LAWRENCE, MA SUPPLIER OF N.H. LAKES REGION "CRACK" COCAINE RING  
SENTENCED ON FEDERAL DISTRIBUTION CHARGES**

**Re: United States v. Junior PAULINO**

**CONCORD, NEW HAMPSHIRE:** United States Attorney Tom Colantuono and N.H. Assistant Commissioner of Safety Earl Sweeney announced that **Junior PAULINO**, date of birth 2/22/71, of Lawrence, Massachusetts, was sentenced on January 26, 2004 on crack cocaine distribution charges.

On September 2, 2003, PAULINO entered a guilty plea before U.S. District Judge Paul J. Barbadoro to an information charging him with possession with intent to distribute cocaine base, aka "crack" cocaine.

At today's sentencing, Judge Barbadoro imposed a sentence of 60 (5 years) months imprisonment followed by a 4-year period of supervised release during which PAULINO's behavior will be monitored by the U.S. Department of Probation. PAULINO also likely faces deportation to his native Dominican Republic.

According to the affidavit accompanying a federal criminal complaint issued by U.S. Magistrate Judge James Muirhead on April 4, 2003, PAULINO was the Massachusetts-based source of supply to a three-person drug distribution network that sold "crack" cocaine in the Lakes Region during January and February, 2003. Previously convicted and sentenced in the case were John SWAIN of Northfield, NH, Christopher LANGILL, formerly of Belmont, NH, and Mark CAMIRE of Belmont, NH.

U.S. Attorney Colantuono stated, "My office is committed not only to aggressively prosecuting drug traffickers operating in Manchester and New Hampshire's other larger cities, but also those importing illegal drugs into smaller communities like those in the Lakes Region. The State Police Narcotics Investigation Unit conducted a thorough and aggressive investigation in this case, and these convictions stand as a prime example of the effectiveness of cooperative efforts between federal, state, and local law enforcement agencies in combating the disastrous impact of crack cocaine on our communities and their residents."

The conviction resulted from an investigation by the N.H. State Police Narcotics Investigation Unit. The prosecution is being handled by Assistant United States Attorney Joseph N. Laplante, the Lead Attorney for the District of New Hampshire in the New England Organized Crime Drug Enforcement Task Force ("New England OCDEF").